

leaving behind both a loving family and a legion of admirers.

Some people go through life wondering if they made a difference. Elizabeth Laird, the Fort Hood Hug Lady, didn't have that problem. Her kindness and commitment to being of service to others touched thousands and reminds us how the simplest of gestures can have the largest of impacts.

#### STRYKER BY DESIGN

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, April 20, 2016*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Stryker by Design for receiving the 2016 Commerce City Entrepreneurial Spirit Award.

The Entrepreneurial Spirit Award recognizes a company or entrepreneur that demonstrates a pioneer spirit toward new product development, a business start-up, or growth into new markets. Stryker by Design is a woman-owned, contract manufacturing company that has been in business since 2000.

Stryker by Design specializes in "soft-sewn" products, made by highly-trained and talented operators including refugees from war-torn countries in Africa and the Middle East. Stryker manufactures backpacks, military and tactical gear, fashion bags and more at their facility located on Monaco Street in Commerce City. The company uses an innovative approach to contract manufacturing. The owners not only make their clients' products, but they also offer office, design and warehouse space to some of their clients and even allow the companies access to their production floor. Their success has enabled them to double their employee count, invest in new machinery, and fully utilize their 10,000 square foot space.

I extend my deepest congratulations to the Stryker by Design for this well-deserved recognition by Commerce City.

#### THIS "HOLY COW" WINS "BEST IN SHOW"

### HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, April 20, 2016*

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Emily Fiedler for her artwork earning the title of "Best in Show" at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo's Junior High Contest.

Emily is in eighth grade at St. Laurence Catholic School in Sugar Land, Texas. This talented student earned the Junior High title of "Best in Show" for her artwork, "Holy Cow." In addition to this elite award, Emily received a scholarship to the Glassell School of Art. The Houston Rodeo Art Programs have produced 50 years of talented students and phenomenal art. We are so proud of Emily, and look forward to seeing the fantastic art she will create in her bright future.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Emily for her success at the Houston Live-

stock and Rodeo Junior High Art Contests. We can't wait to see what she does next.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF RABBI HERBERT BAUMGARD

### HON. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, April 20, 2016*

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise in remembrance of Rabbi Herbert Baumgard, who passed away this past Friday, at the age of 95.

Rabbi Baumgard founded Temple Beth Am, which is an important institution in my congressional district that has brought the South Florida Jewish community together for over 60 years.

A native of Norfolk, Virginia, Rabbi Baumgard served as an assistant to a Chaplain in World War II.

He credited that experience with his motivation for becoming a Rabbi.

One of Rabbi Baumgard's strongest ideals was the continuing friendship and alliance with the State of Israel.

The Rabbi was committed to not only strengthening our ties with our great ally, but to seeing that the United States continues to support and defend the Jewish State, which is an idea that I shared with him.

I am so honored and privileged to have had the opportunity to represent Temple Beth Am and to experience all that Rabbi Baumgard has done to improve South Florida.

May his memory be a blessing.

#### TRIBUTE TO SYLVIA AND MERLIN MCALLISTER

### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, April 20, 2016*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Sylvia and Merlin McAllister of Shenandoah, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 70th wedding anniversary. They were married on April 7, 1946.

Merlin and Sylvia have enjoyed many adventures together throughout their 70 years. Mr. McAllister said, "We've been here, there, and everywhere, and just have a good time and enjoy life. We work together and we make a good team." They have visited all 50 states and traveled throughout Europe. Merlin and Sylvia are active members of the Farragut United Methodist Church in Farragut, Iowa.

Mr. Speaker, Merlin and Sylvia's lifelong commitment to each other and their two children, three grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren truly embodies Iowa values. I commend this great couple on their 70th year together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

#### OLD DOMINION FREIGHT LINE, INC.

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, April 20, 2016*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. for receiving the 2016 Commerce City Business on the Move Award.

The Business on the Move Award recognizes businesses bringing new employment, growth in sales or new capital investment to the city in the last year. Old Dominion Freight Line is a motor carrier providing regional, inter-regional and national less-than-truckload (LTL) and value-added logistics services. The company has been in Commerce City for 20 years. In 2015, the company expanded its footprint to a 65,000 square foot facility which enabled them to add 70 jobs and 125 trucks departures a day, delivering 275,000 packages annually.

I extend my deepest congratulations to the Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. for this well-deserved recognition by Commerce City.

#### HONORING SANDRIDGE FOOD CORPORATION ON RECEIVING THE 2016 SMART BUSINESS EVOLUTION OF MANUFACTURING AWARD

### HON. JAMES B. RENACCI

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, April 20, 2016*

Mr. RENACCI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend Sandridge Food Corporation on receiving the 2016 Smart Business Evolution of Manufacturing Award. Sandridge Food Co. is a family-owned refrigerated foods manufacturer located in Medina, Ohio.

For more than 50 years, Sandridge Food Co. has produced fresh deli salads, soups, entrees, desserts, sauces, and dips for the food service and retail sectors. A leader in the refrigerated foods industry in North America, Sandridge has built its rich heritage with an unparalleled commitment to food safety, culinary excellence, and innovation.

Small businesses across the country work hard every day to produce the goods and services needed to drive our nation's economy.

I offer my sincerest congratulations to this valued business and community partner.

#### HONORING NORTH PANOLA HIGH SCHOOL

### HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, April 20, 2016*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable school, North Panola High School of Sardis, Mississippi and the great leadership it is under.

North Panola High School is a rural high school situated on the eastern edge of the Mississippi delta. For many years the high